

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

If, in an image editing system, the user gives a laboratory a command to start editing, the laboratory transfers template data to the personal computer (PC) on the side of the user. If the user queries the laboratory about an editing object by the PC, the laboratory transfers editing information, which represents the editing object, to the PC. In response to this, the user gives a command to edit and transfers edit-command information representing the result of editing to the laboratory. Based on the edit-command information, the laboratory obtains intermediate processed image data by editing the template data and the image data, and transfers this to the PC. Furthermore, the users makes an inquiry about other editing objects, and obtains processed image data by repeating the aforementioned editing process until the process is performed for all the editing objects.